

Prepare — It's National Pet Preparedness Month

With summer fast approaching now is the time to prepare your family and your pets for an emergency. Pet Preparedness Month is held each June as a way to encourage pet owners to include pets in their emergency plans. You can prepare the following to keep your pet disaster ready:



- License and micro-chip your pet.
- Stockpile food and water.
- Keep a pet emergency kit.
- Have an extra leash and collar.
- Have a photograph of your pet .
- Extra pet medications.
- Toys, rope, and sanitation bags.
- Create a pet buddy system.
- Have a pet carrier ready for use.

The American Red Cross also has a useful pet first aid guide mobile phone app that can be downloaded for free on their [website](#). For information on locating a lost pet, visit the [Inland Valley Humane Society](#) website or call 909.623.9777.

Pet Preparedness Video

The www.ready.gov/animals website has a useful instructional video on preparing your pet for emergencies. The video includes information on emergency sheltering, pet emergency plans, and creating a pet buddy system to ensure the safety of your pet if you cannot go home.

For additional information, visit www.ready.gov/animals, or the Inland Valley Humane Society website at www.ivhsspca.org or call 909.623.9777 for information on licensing and micro-chipping pets.

